GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS
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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1202
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INDIAN FARMERS FERTILIZER COOPERATIVE LTD.
Badiga Shri Ramakrishna

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the plan of Indian Farmers Fertilizer Cooperative Limited (IFFCO) for diversifying its activities in Egypt and Gujarat ;

(b) the estimated expenditure to be incurred thereon;

(c) the work plan and schedule drawn for implementation thereof;

(d) by when it is likely to be implemented; and

(e) the benefits likely to be derived therefrom particularly to the farmers?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS & MINISTER OF STEEL(SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN)

(a) : IFFCO proposes to set up a Joint Venture Phosphoric Acid Project (0.47 million tonne of P2O5 per annum) and Mining Project in Egypt and a Phosphoric Acid Project (0.47 million tonne of P2O5 per annum) in Kutch, Gujarat. It has also planned to implement Kandla Phase-III Expansion Project in Gujarat to produce 0.8 million tonne per annum DAP/ NPK fertilizers in terms of P2O5.

(b) : The estimated expenditure on these projects are as under:

Name of the Project	Estimated Cost (Rs. Cr.)
Phos. Acid Project, Egypt	1,430
Mining Project, Egypt	308
Phos. Acid Project, Gujarat	1,320
Kandla Phase-III Project	462
Total	3,520

(c) : The pre-project activities are being carried out in Egypt as well as in Gujarat. The Zero Date of the projects is expected in 2006.

(d) : The projects are expected to be implemented within 36 months after the Zero Date.

(e) : With the implementation of these projects, additional 0.8 million tonne indigenous Phosphatic Fertilizers in terms of P2O5 will be available to farmers in India.